MARY E. BURKE.

LETTER FROM THE ASSISTANT CLERK OF THE COURT OF CLAIMS, TRANSMITTING A COPY OF FINDINGS FILED BY THE COURT IN THE CASE OF MARY E. BURKE AGAINST THE UNITED STATES.

January 23, 1902.—Referred to the Committee on Claims and ordered to be printed.

COURT OF CLAIMS, CLERK'S OFFICE, Washington, January 22, 1902.

SIR: Pursuant to the order of the court, I transmit herewith a certified copy of the findings filed by the court in the aforesaid cause, which case was referred to this court by the Committee on War Claims, House of Representatives, under the act of March 3, 1883.

I am, very respectfully, yours, etc.,

John Randolph, Assistant Clerk Court of Claims.

Hon. David B. Henderson, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

[Court of Claims. Congressional, No. 8345. Mary E. Burke v. The United States.]

This case, being a claim for supplies or stores alleged to have been taken by or furnished to the military forces of the United States for their use during the late war for the suppression of the rebellion, the court, on a preliminary inquiry, finds that Mary E. Burke, the person alleged to have furnished such supplies or stores, or from whom the same are alleged to have been taken, was loyal to the Government of the United States throughout said war.

BY THE COURT.

Filed June 3, 1901.

[Court of Claims. Congressional case No. 8345. Mary E. Burke v. The United States.]

STATEMENT OF CASE.

The claim in the above-entitled case for supplies or stores alleged to have been taken by or furnished to the military forces of the United States for their use during the late war for the suppression of the rebellion, was transmitted to the court by the Committee on War Claims of the House of Representatives on the 2d day of March, 1891.

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On a preliminary inquiry the court, on the 3d day of June, 1901, found that the person alleged to have furnished the supplies or stores, or from whom they were alleged to have been taken, was loyal to the Government of the United States throughout said war.

The case was brought to a hearing on its merits on the 10th day of December, 1901. G. W. Z. Black, esq., appeared for claimant, and the Attorney-General, by George

M. Anderson, esq., his assistant, and under his direction, appeared for the defense and protection of the interests of the United States.

The claimant in her petition makes the following allegations:

That she is a citizen of the United States, residing in Fairfax County, Va., where she resided during the late war of the rebellion; that at different times during said period the United States forces, by proper authority, took from her quartermaster stores and commissary supplies of the value of \$710, and appropriated the same to the use of the United States Army, as follows:

Taken by General Howard's division, July, 1861:	
10 barrels corn	
2 yearlings	25
1 horse	75
Taken by General Reno's division, August, 1862:	
8 tons of hay 100 bushels oats	160
100 bushels oats	75
40 barrels corn	200
Taken by Colonel White, of General Stahl's cavalry, in 1863:	
1 horse	125
Total	710

The court, upon the evidence and after considering the briefs and arguments of counsel on both sides, makes the following

FINDINGS OF FACT.

There were taken from the claimant, in Fairfax County, State of Virginia, during the war of the rebellion, by the military forces of the United States for the use of the Army, stores and supplies of the kind and character above described, which were then and there reasonably worth the sum of four hundred and two dollars (\$402).

No payment appears to have been made therefor.

BY THE COURT.

Filed January 6, 1902. A true copy. Test this 21st day of January, A. D. 1902. [Seal.]

JOHN RANDOLPH, Assistant Clerk Court of Claims.